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SUBJ: CAMEROONIAN INVESTMENT MISSION TO THE U.S.

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1. IN REFTEL EMBASSY PROPOSED POSSIBILITY OF CAMEROONIAN INVESTMENT MISSION TO U.S. PURPOSE OF MISSION WOULD BE TO IDENTIFY AND RECRUIT U.S. FIRMS AND INDIVIDUALS INTERESTED IN INVESTING IN CAMEROON. ECONOFF INFORMALLY DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF MISSION WITH DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY EDOUARD NOMO AND HIS REACTION WAS POSITIVE. AMBASSADOR MENTIONED IN GENERAL WAY MISSION TO SAMUEL EBOUA OF PRESIDENCY AND HIS REACTION ALSO VERY FAVORABLE. THUS IT IS LIKELY THAT MISSION WOULD RECEIVE GOOD SUPPORT FROM GURC.

2. EMBASSY ENVISIONS MISSION AS BEING COMPOSED OF FIVE TO TEN CAMEROONIANS FROM PRIVATE SECTOR AND GOVERNMENT. MISSION WOULD REPRESENT PERHAPS TWO OR AT MOST THREE INDUSTRIES (E.G. AGRICULTURE, TIMBER, FOOD PROCESSING). HOPEFULLY, MISSION MEMBERS WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS CAMEROONIAN INVESTMENT CODE, GENERAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES, AS WELL AS SPECIFIC PROJECTS. IN EACH CITY VISITED MISSION MEMBERS WOULD AS A GROUP HOST INVESTMENT SEMINAR AND MEET INDIVIDUALLY
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WITH MEMBERS OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY. IDEALLY, CITIES CHOSEN AS SITES FOR MISSION WOULD BE THOSE MOST INVOLVED IN INDUSTRIES

REPRESENTED BY MISSION MEMBERS. IF ANY RELEVANT U.S. TRADE SHOWS COINCIDED WITH TIMING OF MISSION, THEY PERHAPS WOULD BE FURTHER POSSIBILITIES FOR SEMINAR LOCATION.

3. IF POSSIBLE EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO EXPLORE FUNDING TRAVEL OF ONE OR TWO GOVERNMENT MEMBERS OF MISSION THROUGH IV GRANTS. GRANTEES WOULD REMAIN IN U.S. FOLLOWING DEPARTURE OF OTHER MISSION MEMBERS IN ORDER TO FOLLOW-UP ON PROMISING INVESTMENT LEADS. IT WOULD ALSO BE VALUABLE IF DEPT OR OPIC COULD ASSIGN ESCORT OFFICER TO ACCOMPANY MISSION IN U.S.

4. IN ORDER TO ORGANIZE MISSION AS DESCRIBED ABOVE EMBASSY WOULD NEED SUPPORT AND COOPERATION OF DEPARTMENT, OPIC, USDOC WASHINGTON, COMMERCE DISTRICT OFFICERS, AND MOST PROBABLY CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE IN CITIES VISITED. WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING VIEWS OF DEPT, OPIC AND USDOC ON PROPOSED INVESTMENT MISSION.

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